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Paula Higashi, Executive Director Commission on State Mandates 980 Ninth Street, Suite 300 Sacramento, California 95814



Dear Executive Director Higashi:

This is in response to your letter dated June 28, 2007 requesting information regarding "Additional Information for Parameters and Guidelines - Fire Safety Inspections of Care Facilities, 01-TC-16 Statues of 1989, Chapter 993 (Senate Bill 1098) City of San Jose, Claimant" and the State Fire Marshal's (SFM) implementation of Health and Safety Code (HSC) Section 13144.5 as modified by Senate Bill 1098 providing for training to local fire safety inspectors with regard to subject care facilities."

HSC Section 13144.5 indicates that the SFM shall prepare and conduct voluntary regular training sessions devoted to the interpretation and application of the laws and rules and regulations in Title 19 and Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations relating to fire and panic safety. We are providing such training entitled *Statutes and Regulations* to local and state government throughout California. This class is a 20-hour course that is offered on a quarterly basis. Enclosed is a copy of the curriculum and course outline of this training.

A portion of this training covers the interpretation of the regulations pertaining to community care facilities licensed pursuant to Section 1508, residential care facilities for the elderly licensed pursuant to Section 1569.10, and to child day care facilities licensed pursuant to Section 1596.80. Approximately 4 hours is needed to cover all sections mentioned above.

Should you need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Ben Ho, Division Chief, Fire and Life Safety Division at (916) 445-8337 or by email at <u>ben.ho@fire.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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